

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-672

October 15, 2004

MCI METRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION
SERVICES, LLC
Request for Authorization to Provide
Facility-Based Competitive Local Exchange
Service in Additional Exchanges

ORDER APPROVING
APPLICATION TO AMEND
ORDER REGARDING SCOPE
OF AUTHORITY

WELCH, Chairman; DIAMOND AND REISHUS, Commissioners

On September 27, 2004 MCI Metro Access Transmission Services, LLC (MCI) filed a petition to expand its service territory for facilities-based local exchange service to areas beyond those authorized in our order granting authority to provide service in Docket No. 2002-306.

On March 30, 1999, in Docket No. 99-187, the Commission delegated to the Director of Technical Analysis the authority under 35-A M.R.S.A. §§ 2102 and 2105 to approve service territory changes by local exchange carriers.

For local exchange carriers (LECs) seeking to provide facilities-based local exchange service, the Director must initially make a determination that a LEC has made a reasonable showing that it will be providing facilities-based service to the area in question within six months.

The Commission staff has reviewed the documents submitted by MCI relating to facilities readiness and has determined that it has made a reasonable showing that it will be providing service within six months in the area listed in the ordering paragraphs below.

Accordingly,

1. I FIND, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. §§ 2102 and 2105, that the public convenience and necessity requires the provision of additional facilities-based local exchange service in the area listed below, also served by another telephone utility, and hereby AUTHORIZE MCI to provide facilities-based local exchange service in the areas defined as the Augusta, Bangor, Brunswick, Kittery, Presque Isle and Rockland exchanges of New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a Verizon-Maine; and

2. I DIRECT MCI to file revised terms and conditions consistent with the authority granted today.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 15th day of October, 2004.

BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF
TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Faith Huntington
Acting Director of Technical Analysis